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**Box PATENT APPLICATION
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Washington, DC 20231**

New U.S. Patent Application
Title: REINFORCED TIGHT-BUFFERED OPTICAL FIBER AND
CABLES MADE WITH SAME
Inventor: John C. Smith

Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application- 20 pages, including 3 independent claims and 22 claims total.
2. Drawings- 4 sheets of drawings (Figures 1-9).
3. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

Basic Application Filing Fee				\$740	\$ 740.00
	Number of Claims	Basic	Extra Claims		
Total Claims	22	-	20	2	x \$18 \$36.00
Independent Claims	3	-	3	0	x \$84
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TOTAL APPLICATION FILING FEE					\$ 776.00

4. A check for \$776.00 is enclosed. The fee includes:

\$740.00 filing fee; and
\$ 36.00 additional claims fee.

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This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f).
Applicant awaits notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for
filing the Declaration.

Please accord this application an application number and filing date.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees due and
any other fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 during the pendency of this application
to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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